

New Turf Club Rushes Work On Track

Construction of 32 stables at the new Inglewood horse racing plant of the Hollywood Turf Club will be started the latter part of January at a cost of approximately \$135,000, it was announced this week following award of the contract to L. E. Dixon. The race season will last 33 days, starting June 11.

Erection of the steel for the large grandstand and the clubhouse now is practically completed, and the work of enclosing them will start soon, according to club officials.

Work has been under way since last April, and an area of approximately 100 acres has been leveled, rolled and surfaced for automobile parking, in addition to the grading of the race track.

Steel Bowlers Resume Play Here Tomorrow

With the Machine Shop team leading the tournament, the Columbia Steel plant bowling season will resume tomorrow. Standings of the various teams and averages of the bowlers are:

Department	Won	Lost
Machine Shop	9	3
Main Office	6	6
Stores & Engineering	5	7
Foundry & Laboratory	4	8

Name	Av.
N. Chaykowski	193
C. Richardson	169
N. Perovich	167
R. Watson	163
E. Koroff	161
G. Holmes	155
T. Chaykowski	155
L. Greenman	145
H. Schuindt	144
L. Haeffel	141
C. Beamer	139
J. Smith	135
C. Laraga	134
W. Walton	128
J. Disario	128
E. Wilkinson	118
J. Moore	113
J. Hollowell	99
R. Wilson	98
R. Morgan	93
Individual High Game	231
R. Watson	231
Team High Game	673
Machine Shop	673

Merchants' Hoop League Opening Delayed to Jan. 11

Because uniforms for the players failed to arrive for the scheduled opening of the hoop season this week, the opening of the Torrance Merchants' basketball league was postponed to next Tuesday night, Jan. 11 when three games will be played from 7 to 10 o'clock in the high school gym. There will be one game in Gardena's high school gym that night, according to Johnny Parker, who cuts meat at the A. & P. market for a living and plays basketball for recreation.

The league is composed of teams representing the National Home Appliance, A. & P. Market, Paxman's hardware, National Supply, Coach Merrill's night school gym class and the Compton's Light House. The public is cordially invited to attend the games and there is no admission charge.

Scouts Anniversary Week Feb. 6 to 13

A special committee is outlining plans for the Los Angeles county observance of "Anniversary Week" of the Boy Scouts of America, Feb. 6-13. Events for the week will be in celebration of the 28th anniversary of the founding of Scouting in the United States.

The observance will open Sunday, Feb. 6, with special church programs, in which Scouts will participate; and on Feb. 8, the actual "birthday of Scouting" radio programs will be broadcast over coast-to-coast networks. On Feb. 13, Scout Expositions, demonstrating safety and accident prevention teachings of Scoutcraft, will be staged.

DIVIDE GAMES
Torrance varsity hoopsters lost a practice game with Jordan of Long Beach Tuesday afternoon 34 to 13. The Tartar Bees won their contest with the Bees of Jordan, 30 to 23.

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1,250 BOWLERS COMING HERE FOR TEN-DAY TOURNAMENT

Doubles and singles of the Southeastern District Bowling association of Los Angeles county will be played at the Torrance Bowling Academy starting Jan. 30, Owner-Manager Ed Gasper announced this week. The series of games will attract more than 1,250 ardent ball-and-pin fans to Torrance for 10 days and the games will be played morning, afternoon and evening.

First prize is \$100 and there will be many other cash awards, medals and trophies given following the tournament. Six of the eight local alleys have been reserved for the series and all league matches will be postponed during the period that the district contests are being played here.

Gasper said that he had made arrangements to entertain the 1938 association tourney as well as the one the last of this month. The Torrance Academy is grooming a team to enter the American Bowling Congress world's championship contest in Chicago next March.

The following are the standings of the various leagues playing regularly at the local alleys:

MAJOR LEAGUE		
Team	W.	L.
Hopping Hornets	26	10
Mineralites	23	13
Sandy Mosk	18	18
Bates Grip	18	18
Manhattan Beach	18	18
Nelson Co.	16	20
Harold Lloyds	14	22
Young's Mkt.	11	25

875 LEAGUE		
Team	W.	L.
Torrance Academy	35	17
Alaska Inn	34	22
C. of C.	34	22
Torrance Electric	28	28
Schwartz	27	29
Eastside	27	29
Dave's Mkt.	20	36
Howard Jewelers	15	37

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE		
Team	W.	L.
Sequoia	46	18
Natl Supply	40	24
Ritz Cafe	35	29
Supreme Egg	35	29
Marine Terminal	29	35
Log Cabin	29	35
Union Ice	28	36
Haymakers	14	50

MERCHANTS' LEAGUE		
Team	W.	L.
Civic Center	31	18
Torrance Billiards	31	21
Torrance Plumbing	24	38
General Chemical	23	25
J. C. Penney Co.	20	28
Colburn's Mkt.	21	31

S. C. GAS LEAGUE		
Team	W.	L.
Downey Dist.	35	17
Downey Pipeline	35	17
Redondo Service	29	23
Redondo Service	29	23
Downey Service	29	23
Commercia	29	23
Hermosa Dist.	24	28
Measurement	15	37
Redondo Pipeline	13	39

Bank of America Sets New High During Past Year

All time high marks in deposits, total resources and capital funds of Bank of America at December, 1937, have placed the institution on a higher footing even than in 1929.

A year-end statement of condition just released shows that on Dec. 31, 1937, capital funds stood at a total of \$109,104,000, highest mark in the 33-year history of the bank and an increase from \$105,024,000 at the beginning of the year. This, it is stated, means that all capital funds which were called upon for absorption of depression losses have been reinstated, without the issuance of any new stock.

On Dec. 31, Bank of America deposits reached the historic mark of \$1,357,000,000, an increase of \$58,492,000 over the record of 1937, earnings totaled \$19,203,000, equal to \$4.80 a share, and dividends paid out amounted to \$8,800,000, ten percent higher than the year before. There also was a special Christmas distribution of \$400,000 to employees.

Four million eighty thousand dollars was added to surplus and undivided profits after provision of \$3,277,000 reserves for depreciation on banking premises, amortization of bond premiums, etc., and \$2,646,000 reserves set apart to reduce carrying value of assets.

Tennis Players May Enter Two Tourneys

Having ended their club tennis series of tournaments with other net-and-racket groups of this area by a win over the Wilmington club Sunday, members of the Torrance Tennis club are now expected to enter one or both of the two tourneys for amateur players. These are the Mid-Cities league matches that start Sunday, Feb. 5, and the 24th annual L. A. Metropolitan Tennis championships slated for Jan. 9.

Leslie Prince, Beacon Drug store owner and tennis enthusiast, has application blanks available for both of these tourneys. The games with Wilmington last Sunday brought the Torrance club's season to a close for the group as a whole. The local players took the games played here 9 to 5 and won those in Wilmington 12 to 2.

Pistoleers Fire 96,220 Shots in '37

At a total cost of \$423.70 to marksmen, members of the Torrance Pistol club spat 2,493 1/2 pounds of lead propelled by 82 1/2 pounds of powder at targets on their range between Western and Cabrillo avenues during 1937.

Sergeant Ernest Ashton, who is in charge of the shooting under President John H. Stroh, arrived at these figures this week after considerable study of the club's records. He said 66,220 shots were fired during the past year for records. Many more tries for bull's-eyes than were actually fired but no record is kept of practices or warm-up triggering.

T-L Merchants Pasted by RKO

After the Torrance-Lomita Merchants had put over three runs to tie up the game in the ninth inning, the R-K-O studio baseball team dictated that performance to thump the local club 7 to 4 in a thrilling contest played at the city park diamond last Sunday. The studio players got to Patalano for three runs in the fourth, added another in the eighth and then led the game with the tenth frame rally.

Joe Venable with two hits in five appearances at bat and a grand day in the garden, topped the T-L team's parade, closely followed by Ray Olsen who also swatted out a pair of bingles. Cordell, R-K-O hurler, was borrowed for the game from Pirrone's All-Stars and although wild was given airtight support.

Next Sunday afternoon the Pacific Construction team from Los Angeles will play the T-L Merchants here. The return of Benny Markham to third base is expected to help the local club, according to Manager Walt Morris. Olsen will move to short and Mann to second with S. Venable remaining at first. Hamilton is slated for mound duty with Duncan catching. Patalano will be held in reserve.

Attempted Auto Break Is First Police Book Entry

The first entry in the new 1938 red-covered police blotter here was: "Jan. 1—G. Haig, 1323 Cedar street reports someone tried to break in back of Plymouth coupe parked on street in front of his residence."

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T. H. S. Baseball Starts Monday

Joining the parade of sports at Torrance high school, baseball will step into the spotlight next Monday when Coach Roy Cochran sounds a call for diamond candidates. Cochran indicated that he is going to build the 1938 Tartar varsity nine from the ground up when he announced this week that he intends to start a league of four or five school teams for practice and play.

Out of the candidates appearing for these teams, he will select his spring varsity and Class B teams. The first two weeks of the baseball season will be devoted to pitchers and catchers, with infield and outfield players getting special attention—the last two weeks. Then the series of games will follow with last year's varsity baseball lettermen serving as coaches for the various nines.

Upon completion of the intra-school games, Cochran will select his varsity and B teams. Last year Torrance placed third in Marigie baseball and Cochran hopes to better this standing this coming spring.

Merchants Lose To Compton Nine

The Torrance Merchants dropped a slow game to Todds Clothiers of Compton last Sunday. Each team garnered five hits but the Todds ran their bingles into seven runs to win 7 to 0. Lefty McGahan went the full route on the mound for the local team. The Merchants, bothered by hazy weather and still hazier playing, let the Todds run over them by some exceptionally ragged fielding.

MENU MANEUVERS

The kitchen is on parade—The Herald is showing it off Jan. 12, 13 and 14 at the Torrance theatre.

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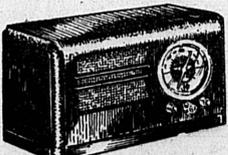
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